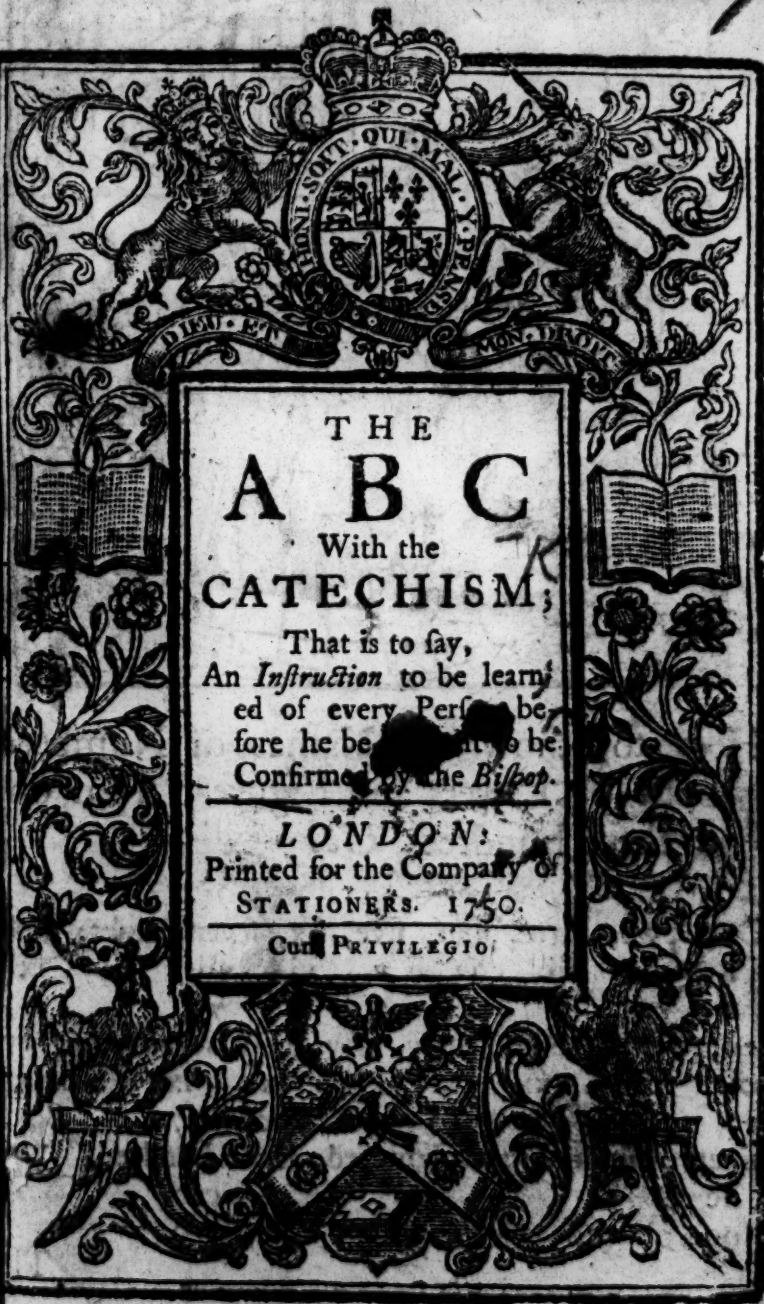


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In the Name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.



T H E
CATECHISM

That is to say,

AN INSTRUCTION to be learned
of every Person before he be brought
to be Confirmed by the Bishop.

Master.

WHAT is your Name?

Scholar.

N. or M.

Master.

Who gave you this Name?

Scholar.

My God-fathers and God-mothers in my
Baptism, wherein I was made a Member of
Christ, the Child of God, and an Inheritor
of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Master.

What did your God-fathers and God-mo-
thers then for you?

Scholar

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Scholar.

They did promise and vow three things in my Name. First, that I should renounce the Devil and all his Works, the Poms and Vanities of this wicked World, and all the sinful Lusts of the Flesh. Secondly, that I should believe all the Articles of the Christian Faith. And Thirdly, that I should keep God's holy Will and Commandments, and walk in the same all the Days of my Life.

Master.

Dost thou not think that thou art bound to believe and do as they have promised for thee?

Scholar.

Yes verily; and by God's help so I will. And I heartily thank our heavenly Father that he hath called me to this state of Salvation, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. And I pray unto God to give me his Grace, that I may continue in the same unto my life's end.

Master.

Rehearse the Articles of thy Belief.

Scholar.

I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead and buried, He descended into Hell; The third Day he rose again from the Dead, He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty: From thence he shall

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come to judge the Quick and the Dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of Sin; the Resurrection of the Body: And the Life Everlasting. *Amen.*

Master.

What dost thou chiefly learn in these Articles of thy Belief?

Scholar.

First, I learn to believe in God the Father, who hath made me and all the World. Secondly, in God the Son, who hath redeemed me and all Mankind. Thirdly, in God the Holy Ghost, who sanctifieth me, and all the Elect People of God.

Master.

You said that your God-fathers and God-mothers did promise for you, that you should keep God's Commandments: Tell me how many there be.

Scholar.

Ten.

Master.

Which be they?

Scholar.

THE same which God spake in the xxth Chapter of *Exodus*, saying I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the Land of *Egypt*, out of the House of Bondage.

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I. Thou shalt have no other Gods but me.

Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our Hearts to keep this Law.

II. Thou shalt not make to thy self any graven Image, nor the Likeness of any thing that is in Heaven above, or in the Earth beneath, or in the Water under the Earth: Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: For I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the Sins of the Fathers upon the Children, unto the third and fourth Generation, of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me and keep my Commandments.

Lord, have mercy upon us, &c.

III. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: For the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his Name in vain.

Lord, have mercy upon us, &c.

IV. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath-day; Six Days shalt thou labour and do all that thou hast to do: But the Seventh Day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of Work, thou, and thy Son, and thy Daughter, thy Man-servant, and thy Maid-servant, thy Cattle, and the Stranger that is within thy Gates: For in six Days the Lord made Heaven and Earth, the Sea, and all that in them is, and rested the Seventh Day. Wherefore the Lord blessed the Seventh Day, and hallowed it.

Lord, have mercy upon us, &c.

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V. Honour thy Father and thy Mother
that thy Days may be long in the Land
which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

Lord, have mercy upon us, &c.

VI. Thou shalt do no Murther.

Lord, have mercy upon us, &c.

VII. Thou shalt not commit Adultery.

Lord, have mercy upon us, &c.

VIII. Thou shalt not steal.

Lord, have mercy upon us, &c.

IX. Thou shalt not bear false Witness a-
gainst thy Neighbour.

Lord, have mercy upon us, &c.

X. Thou shalt not covet thy Neighbour's
House, thou shalt not covet thy Neighbour's
Wife, nor his Servant, nor his Maid, nor his
Ox, nor his Ass, nor any thing that is his.

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these
thy Laws in our Hearts, we beseech thee.*

Master.

What dost thou chiefly learn by these
Commandments?

Scholar.

I learn two things: My Duty towards God,
and my Duty towards my Neighbour.

Master.

What is thy Duty towards God

Scholar.

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and from everlasting Death. And this I trust he will do of his Mercy and Goodness, through our Lord Jesus Christ: And therefore I say, *Amen.* So be it.

Master.

How many Sacraments hath Christ ordained in his Church.

Scholar.

Two only, as generally necessary to Salvation: that is to say, Baptism, and the Supper of the Lord.

Master.

What meanest thou by this Word Sacrament?

Scholar.

I mean an outward and visible Sign of an inward and spiritual Grace, given unto us, ordained by Christ himself, as a Means whereby we receive the same, and as a Pledge to assure us thereof.

Master.

How many Parts be there in a Sacrament?

Scholar.

Two: The outward visible Sign, and the inward Spiritual Grace.

Master.

What is the outward visible Sign, or Form in Baptism?

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Scholar.

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Scholar.

Water, wherein the Person is baptized,
*In the Name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Ghost.*

Master.

What is the inward and spiritual Grace?

Scholar.

A Death unto Sin, and a new Birth unto
Righteousness: For being by Nature born
in Sin, and the Children of Wrath, we are
hereby made the Children of Grace?

Master.

What is required of Persons to be baptized?

Scholar.

Repentance, whereby they forsake Sin;
and Faith, whereby they stedfastly believe
the Promises of God made to them in that
Sacrament.

Master.

Why then are Infants baptized, when by
reason of their tender Age they cannot per-
form them?

Scholar.

Because they Promise them both by their
Sureties: Which Promise, when they come
to Age, themselves are bound to perform.

Master

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Master.

My good Child, know this, that thou art not able to do these things of thy self, nor to walk in the Commandments of God, and to serve him without his special Grace, which thou must learn at all times to call for by diligent Prayer.

Let me hear therefore if thou canst say the Lord's Prayer.

Scholar.

OUR Father, which art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this Day our daily Bread. And forgive us our Trespases, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into Temptation. But deliver us from Evil. *Amen.*

Master.

What desirest thou of God in this Prayer?

Scholar.

I desire my Lord God our heavenly Father, who is the Giver of all Goodness, to send his Grace unto me and to all People; that we may worship him, serve him, and obey him as we ought to do. And I pray unto God, that he will send us all things that be needful both for our Souls and Bodies: And that he will be merciful unto us, and forgive us our Sins; and that it will please him to save and defend us from all Dangers ghostly and bodily: And that he would keep us from all Sin and Wickedness, and from our ghostly Enemy,
and

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Scholar.

My Duty towards God is to believe in him, to fear him, to love him with all my Heart, with all my Mind, with all my Soul, and with all my Strength: To worship him; To give him Thanks; To put my whole Trust in him; To call upon him; To honour his holy Name, and his Word, and to serve him truly all the Days of my Life.

Master.

What is thy Duty towards thy Neighbour?

Scholar.

My Duty towards my Neighbour is to love him as my self, and to do unto all Men as I would they should do unto me. To love, honour, and succour my Father and Mother. To honour and obey the King, and all that are put in Authority under him. To submit my self to all my Governours, Teachers, Spiritual Pastors and Masters. To order my self lowly and reverently to all my Betters. To hurt no body by Word or Deed. To be true and just in all my Dealings. To bear no Malice or Hatred in my Heart. To keep my Hands from picking and stealing, and my Tongue from evil speaking, lying and slandering. To keep my Body in Temperance, Soberness and Chastity. Nor to covet nor desire other Men's Goods, but to learn and labour truly to get my own Living, and to do my Duty in that state of Life unto which it shall please God to call me.

Master.

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Master.

Why was the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper ordained?

Scholar.

For the continual remembrance of the Sacrifice of the Death of Christ, and of the Benefits which we receive thereby.

Master.

What is the outward Part or Sign of the Lord's Supper?

Scholar.

Bread and Wine, which the Lord hath commanded to be received.

Master.

What is the inward Part or Thing signified?

Scholar.

The Body and Blood of Christ, which are verily and indeed taken and received by the Faithful in the Lord's Supper.

Master.

What are the Benefits whereof we are Partakers thereby?

Scholar.

The strengthening and refreshing of our Souls by the Body and Blood of Christ, as our Bodies are by the Bread and Wine.

Master.

What is required of them who come to the Lord's Supper?

Scholar.

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Scholar.

To examine themselves, whether they repent them truly of their former Sins, steadfastly purposing to lead a new Life : Have a lively Faith in God's Mercy through Christ, with a thankful Remembrance of his Death ; and be in Charity with all Men.

The End of the Catechism.

Graces to be said before and after *Meat*.

Grace before Meat.

THE Eyes of all things do look up and trust in thee, O Lord : Thou givest them *Meat* in due season : Thou openest thy Hand and fillest with thy Blessing every living thing. Good Lord, bless us, and all the Gifts which we receive of thy bounteous Liberality, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*God save his Church, our King, and Realm,
And send us Peace in Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Grace after Meat.

THE King of eternal Glory, make us partake of his heavenly Table.

*God save his Church, our King, and Realm,
And send us Peace in Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Grace

*Grace**Meat.*

WHether we drink, saith Saint Paul, or what^{er} ye do else, let all be done to the Glory and Praise of God.
Amen.

*God save his Churth, our King, and Realm,
And send us Peace in Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Grace after Meat.

TH E God of all Glory and Power, who hath created, redeemed, and plentifully fed us, be blessed and praised, both now and evermore. *Amen.*

*God save his Church, our King, and Realm,
And send us Peace in Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Grace before Meat.

CH R I S T which at his last Supper gave himself unto us, promising his Body to be crucified, and his Blood to be shed for our Sins, blefs us and our Meat. *Amen.*

*God save his Church, our King, and Realm,
And send us Peace in Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Grace before Meat.

GR A N T, O most merciful Father, that our Hunger and Thirst being satisfied with the moderate use of these thy Gifts, and sanctified with thy holy Word, we may both in Body and Mind be apt and able to do good

good Works to
Name. *Amen.*

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*God save his Church, our King, and Realm,
And send us Peace in Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Grace before Meat.

GLORY, Honour, and Praise be given
to thee, O Lord, which doth feed us
from our tender Age, and givest Sustenance
to every living thing. Replenish our Hearts
with Joy and Gladness, that we always have
sufficient, may be rich and plentiful in good
Works, through our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen.

*God save his Church, our King, and Realm,
And send us Peace in Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Grace before Meat.

WHatsoever ye do in Word or Deed, do
all in the Name of the Lord, Jesus
Christ, giving Thanks unto God the Father
by him.

Blessing, Glory, Wisdom, Thanks, Ho-
nour, Power, and Might, be unto our God
for evermore. *Amen.*

*This little Catechism learned
by heart (for so it ought)*

*The P R I M E R next commanded is
for Children to be taught.*



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